Board of Assessors Meeting Thursday, April 6, 2017 @ 6:00 pm Meier Room, Abington Town Hall

Present: Kate Marini, member

Lawrence Keough, member Jack Pistorino, Deputy Assessor

Jodie Hurst, Recorder

Absent: Ann Welch, member

The meeting was called to order at 6:00pm.

The Board postponed voting on minutes.

The following documents were signed: Exemption month-end, excise month-end, Real Estate Abatement month-end, CPA Adjustment month-end, CPA exemption month-end, and monthly excise. Two excise applications were denied.

Old/New Business:

- The overlay was distributed and discussed. The Deputy Assessor mentioned that he and the Treasurer had not had time to discuss abating 'uncollectable amounts' from prior years, and that it was desirable to take care of this before releasing any potential surplus. Kate Marini questioned whether it would be helpful in the FY 2018 budgeting process (which gets voted on at town meeting in mid-May), to know whether or not we have funds to release, and asked if the Deputy Assessor had been questioned about it. The Deputy Assessor indicated that the Town Manager would be the one to request the release of funds, and he has not yet requested anything.
- Zoning ads, zoning agenda, and planning decisions were distributed
- The Deputy Assessor pointed out that following a presentation on Open Meeting Law and Public Records Requests, given by Town Counsel, the wording to enter Executive Session has changed, slightly.

VOTE: Motion by Kate Marini, seconded by Lawrence Keough to enter into executive session to comply with MGL Ch 59, Sec. 60 and MGL Ch 66, Sec. 10, for the purpose of discussing and acting on exemption applications and/or abatement applications and settlements and not to return in open session. All approved abatements and exemptions will be on record in the Assessors Office; denials will be noted in open session minutes. A roll call vote was taken.

The meeting entered executive session at 6:10pm

Exhibit list:

Item #	Description	Availability/Location
1	Agenda	Assessors Office / Clerk's Office
2	February overlay	Assessors Office
3	Zoning packet	Zoning Admin Assistant
4	Planning decisions	Planning Admin Assisstant

The Real Estate Abatement for 81 Birch St was denied

The Real Estate Abatement for 777 Brockton Ave was withdrawn by the applicant.